

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 965

Introduced by Assembly Member Dickinson

February 18, 2011

An act to add Section 87482.65 to the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 965, as introduced, Dickinson. Community colleges: full-time faculty hiring.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, which are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Community colleges are one segment of public postsecondary education in this state.

Existing law provides incentives to encourage community college districts to employ full-time instructors to teach at least 75% of the hours of credit instruction offered.

This bill would require community college districts that have less than 75% of their hours of credit instruction taught by full-time instructors to apply a portion of their funds allocated to apportionment growth according to specified formulas. This requirement would apply only if prescribed conditions are met.

Because this bill would impose a duty on community college districts by requiring programmatic changes relating to full-time faculty instructors, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 87482.65 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

3 87482.65. Notwithstanding Section 87482.6, community
4 college districts that have less than 75 percent of their hours of
5 credit instruction taught by full-time instructors shall apply a
6 portion of their funds allocated to apportionment growth as follows:

7 (a) Districts that, in the prior fiscal year, had between 58 percent
8 and 75 percent of their hours of credit instruction taught by
9 full-time instructors shall apply a minimum of 33 percent of their
10 growth for apportionment allocation, as necessary, in the
11 succeeding year to advance toward the 75 percent standard.

12 (b) Districts that, in the prior fiscal year, had less than 58 percent
13 of their hours of credit instruction taught by full-time instructors
14 shall apply a minimum of 40 percent of their growth for
15 apportionment allocation, as necessary, in the succeeding year to
16 advance toward the 75 percent standard.

17 (c) This section shall apply only in years in which the California
18 Community Colleges receive at least 2 percent in growth for
19 apportionment and the board of governors did not order an increase
20 in the Faculty Obligation Number pursuant to Section 51025 of
21 Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations. This obligation shall
22 not apply in years in which the California Community Colleges
23 were allocated funds for apportionment growth, but those funds
24 were deferred until a subsequent year.

25 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
26 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
27 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
28 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
29 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

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